COUNTY OF YORK MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 18, 2003 (BOS Mtg. 7/15/2003)

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

FROM: James E. Barnett, County Attorney

SUBJECT: Proposed ordinance amendment, County Code § 19-5—"Dumping" of

Companion Animals

The attached proposed revision to County Code § 19-5 reflects amendments to the State Code upon which the County's ordinance is based as reflected in House Bill 1865, adopted as Chapter 787, and House Bill 1398, adopted as Chapter 113, of the 2003 Acts of the Virginia General Assembly. This proposed ordinance revision is a companion piece to the overhaul of the County's animal control ordinances, which was approved at your meeting of June 17. One of the many changes to the animal control laws was that the provisions regarding the "dumping" of animals along public highways or property adjacent to public highways was taken out of the State's animal control statutes, and inserted into Virginia Code § 33.1-346, which generally governs the disposal of trash and other forms of solid waste along or adjacent to public highways, or on private property without the owner's consent. The proposed revision to County Code § 19-5 merely reflects the General Assembly's actions in order to keep the County's ordinances in line with the State Code.

I recommend the adoption of Ordinance No. 03-23.

Barnett/3340:swh Attachment

• Ordinance No. 03-23